

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please amend the specification as shown below, without prejudice or disclaimer.

At page 1, first paragraph, please replace the paragraph reading:

“This application is a national phase application under 35 U.S.C. 371 of PCT/CA00/00289. This application is a continuation-in-part of copending United States Patent Application No. 09/268,347.”

with the following paragraph:

“This application is a national phase application under 35 U.S.C. 371 of PCT/CA00/00289. This application is a continuation-in-part of copending United States Patent Application No. 09/268,347, now U.S. Pat. No. 6,335,182 issued Jan. 1, 2002.”